

In the Claims:

1-25. Cancelled.

26. (New) A system comprising:

a processor; and

a memory, in which the memory stores instruments which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform a method comprising:

selecting a benchmark instrument from a plurality of benchmark instruments, in which the selected benchmark instrument comprises a first type and is associated with a quadrant;

retrieving a plurality of non-benchmark instruments that are associated with the selected benchmark instrument, in which one of the plurality of non-benchmark instruments comprises a second type;

retrieving market data for the selected benchmark instrument and the plurality of non-benchmark instruments; and

generating a customizable display that displays the quadrant with a plurality of other quadrants in a single screen, in which the quadrant comprises the retrieved market data for the selected benchmark instrument and the plurality of non-benchmark instruments.

27. (New) The system of claim 26, in which the first type comprises a category of security that differs from the category of security of the second type.

28. (New) The system of claim 26, in which a second one of the plurality of non-benchmark instruments comprises a third type.

29. (New) The system of claim 26, in which at least one of the first type, the second type and the third type comprises at least one of: a bond, a futures, a stock, a debt, an equity, and any other security.

30. (New) The system of claim 26, in which the method further comprises:
receiving a request for displaying the quadrant in a layout.
31. (New) The system of claim 26, in which the quadrant displays the benchmark instrument at a first level and the plurality of non-benchmark instruments at a second level.
- 32 (New) The system of claim 31, in which the first level is located above the second level.
33. (New) The system of claim 26, in which the method further comprises:
receiving a request to replace the selected benchmark instrument with a second benchmark instrument;
selecting a second quadrant, in which the second quadrant is associated with the second benchmark instrument;
removing the quadrant that is associated with the selected benchmark instrument from a position in the customizable display; and
updating the customizable display with the second quadrant, in which the position of the second quadrant is the position of the removed quadrant.
34. (New) The system of claim 26, in which the method further comprises:
receiving a request to add a third benchmark instrument;
selecting a third quadrant, in which the third quadrant is associated with the third benchmark instrument; and
updating the customizable display with the third quadrant, in which a size of each previously displayed quadrant is minimized in order to accommodate the size of the third quadrant.

35. (New) The system of claim 26, in which the benchmark instrument and each non-benchmark instrument comprises:

a market depth, in which the market depth corresponds to a quantity of shares that are available at a lowest bid price or highest offer price in a marketplace.

36. (New) The system of claim 35, in which the market depth comprises a value between 1 and 10.

37. (New) The system of claim 35, in which the method further comprises:

determining that the market depth of the benchmark instrument exceeds a threshold; and

generating an indication that the market depth of the benchmark instrument exceeds the threshold.

38. (New) The system of claim 37, in which the method further comprises:

receiving, in response to the indication that the market depth exceeds the threshold, a request to trade the benchmark instrument for one of the non-benchmark instruments.

39. (New) The system of claim 37, in which the method further comprises:

generating an identifiable graphical user interface (GUI) element that indicates the market depth exceeds the threshold, in which the GUI element is displayed next to the benchmark instrument in the customizable display.

40. (New) The system of claim 37, in which the threshold is 1.

41. The system of claim 35, in which the method further comprises:

determining that the market depth of the benchmark instrument is less than a threshold; and

generating an identifiable graphical user interface (GUI) element that indicates the market depth is less than the threshold, in which the GUI element is displayed next to the benchmark instrument in the customizable display.

42. (New) An article of manufacture comprising:

a storage medium, in which the storage medium stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to perform the method of:

selecting a benchmark instrument from a plurality of benchmark instruments, in which the selected benchmark instrument comprises a first type and is associated with a quadrant;

retrieving a plurality of non-benchmark instruments that are associated with the selected benchmark instrument, in which one of the plurality of non-benchmark instruments comprises a second type;

retrieving market data for the selected benchmark instrument and the plurality of non-benchmark instruments; and

generating a customizable display that displays the quadrant with a plurality of other quadrants in a single screen, in which the quadrant comprises the retrieved market data for the selected benchmark instrument and the plurality of non-benchmark instruments.

43. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 42, in which the first type comprises a category of security that differs from the category of security of the second type.

44. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 42, in which at least one of the first type, the second type and the third type comprises at least one of: a bond, a futures, a stock, a debt, an equity, and any other security.

45. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 42, in which the method further comprises:

receiving a request for displaying the quadrant in a layout.

46. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 42, in which the method further comprises:

- receiving a request to replace the selected benchmark instrument with a second benchmark instrument;

- selecting a second quadrant, in which the second quadrant is associated with the second benchmark instrument;

- removing the quadrant that is associated with the selected benchmark instrument from a position in the customizable display; and

- updating the customizable display with the second quadrant, in which the position of the second quadrant is the position of the removed quadrant.

47. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 42, in which the method further comprises:

- receiving a request to add a third benchmark instrument;

- selecting a third quadrant, in which the third quadrant is associated with the third benchmark instrument; and

- updating the customizable display with the third quadrant, in which a size of each previously displayed quadrant is minimized in order to accommodate the size of the third quadrant.

48. (New) A system comprising:

- a processor; and

- a memory, in which the memory stores instruments which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform a method comprising:

- selecting a benchmark instrument from a plurality of benchmark instruments, in which the selected benchmark instrument comprises a first type and is associated with a quadrant;

retrieving a plurality of non-benchmark instruments that are associated with the selected benchmark instrument, in which a first one of the plurality of non-benchmark instruments comprises a second type and a second one of the plurality of non-benchmark instruments comprises a third type, in which the first type comprises a category of security that differs from the category of security of the second type and the category of security of the third type;

retrieving market data for the selected benchmark instrument and the plurality of non-benchmark instruments; and

generating a customizable display that displays the quadrant with a plurality of other quadrants in a single screen, in which the quadrant comprises the retrieved market data for the selected benchmark instrument and the plurality of non-benchmark instruments.

49. (New) The system of claim 48, in which the method further comprises:

receiving a request to replace the selected benchmark instrument with a second benchmark instrument;

selecting a second quadrant, in which the second quadrant is associated with the second benchmark instrument;

removing the quadrant that is associated with the selected benchmark instrument from a position in the customizable display; and

updating the customizable display with the second quadrant, in which the position of the second quadrant is the position of the removed quadrant.

50. (New) The system of claim 48, in which the method further comprises:

receiving a request to add a third benchmark instrument;

selecting a third quadrant, in which the third quadrant is associated with the third benchmark instrument; and

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updating the customizable display with the third quadrant, in which a size of each previously displayed quadrant is minimized in order to accommodate the size of the third quadrant.